

**NON CONFIRMATION OF A PROPOSED TREE PRESERVATION ORDER AT
ROSE GARDENS, GILGARRAN**

Lead Officer: Tony Pomfret – Development Services Manager

Not to confirm a proposed Tree Preservation Order at Rose Gardens, Gilgarran (Order No. 1 : 2007)
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Recommendation: That Tree Preservation Order No. 1 : 2007 at Rose Gardens, Gilgarran not be confirmed.

Resource Implications: Nil

1.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 1.1 At the Planning Panel meeting in June this year it was agreed to designate an emergency TPO on this site in Gilgarran, comprising 7.34 hectares of ancient woodland, which has considerable local amenity value. This was undertaken following concerns that considerable felling and clearing of the site was being undertaken.
- 1.2 However, it has since transpired that the majority of the site is subject to a “Woodland Management Plan” which the owner has entered into in partnership with the Forestry Commission. This plan takes precedent and work is currently underway in accordance with it to manage the woodland. It is intended to restructure the woods to become a mixture of Lowland Mixed Broadleaf through a combination of felling and thinning followed by restocking via the natural regeneration of Native Broadleaves.
- 1.3 Further consultation with the Council’s Landscape Officer has established that the marginal areas excluded from the management plan do not contain any significant trees worthy of protection. In view of this and the existence of the Woodland Management Plan it is considered that there is no justification to formally confirm the Order.

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Background Papers: Development Services File P/12/10